Freshman Class Plans Snow Trip to Sierras

Plans for a snow trip to Sequoia National Park after the quarter mid-terms was the important business of the day at the last Freshman class meeting. Limitations to those making the trip were made to those freshmen who attended the meeting last Thursday. President "Boston" Robbins appointed the following committee consisting of Dick Livingston, Loewen, and Ken Evans to make arrangements.

What's Doin'

Jan. 14 to 21

Mon. 17 — Freshman skating party, Athletic club, 7:30 p.m.
Tues. 18 — Basketball, Cal Poly vs. Camp Roberts here, 8 p.m.

Veterinarians Gather Here For Meeting

Veterinarians from Oregon, Nevada, Arizona and more than 175 California communities will be in attendance at the annual conference of the California State Veterinary Medical Association here from Jan. 15-17.

Most events on the three-day program will be held in the Air Conditioning auditorium starting at 10 a.m. Tuesday. The conference will be opened by Dr. E. C. Baxter, president of the association. First paper to be presented will be on "Diseases of Cattle" by Dr. E. C. Frick, professor of surgery, Kansas State college. A motion picture on the subject also will be shown.

Dr. H. E. Cameron, U. of Cal. veterinary staff, will speak on "Swine Brucellosis," and Dr. A. K. Carr, state division of Animal Industry, will explain "California's Brucellosis Program." On Wednesday Dr. Benjamin J. Schwartz, chief zoological division, bureau animal industry, Washington, D. C., will speak on "Large Animal Parasites." Dr. Frick will present "Small Animal Practice." Dr. Raymond R. Staab, physician, Portland, Ore., will speak on brucellosis as it affects humans. Dr. Frick will then present a motion picture of a Cassian section in a cow.

The annual banquet Wednesday night will feature Elliott & Humphrey's "Seeing Eye" dog association official, in a talk on training war dogs.

In addition to scientific presentations to be made Thursday by Dr. Rex Taylor, Dr. Schwartz, Major N. F. Christiansen, U. S. Army V. C., a Poly student, and Charles Cook, will tell of his experiences in a German prison camp.

Enrollment Increase Disclosed by Recorder

An increase of enrollment at Cal Poly was recently disclosed by the recorder's office. At the present time there are 380 civilian students and the majority of whom are ex-service men.
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**Cal Poly's Vetch Fields**

Recently a prospective student was being shown the college campus. Proudly he was taken through the hog units. The beef and sheep units held him in awe, and the dairy facilities impressed him tremendously. Unit by unit they were carried through by all means possible to get Cal Poly on the map.

He glanced admirably at our administration and electrical buildings, and expressed the desire to enroll as soon as he was discharged from the Air Corps. But, he said, tell me, which vetch field is the front lawn of the administration building? Little has that concerned many of us, but to a visitor it seems to be an outstanding bad feature of our campus. Daily we try to impress people with the beauty of our campus, and daily sad remarks are cast at us.

That plot of land has lain idle and in vetch long enough and has been the constant aim of discriminating remarks of our campus for a long time. It is since past the time the field should have been landscaped, shrubs and trees planted; and a lawn grown.

The small, dingy, antiquated sign advertising this as California Polytechnic college—Home of the Mustangs—on the plot has seen many a better day. A new, larger sign placed on the vetch field that could be seen plainly from the passing trains has been in order for many years. Why not start now? We are trying to increase the enrollment of Cal Poly through various agencies. What better publicity has Cal Poly than a beautiful campus portraying the general scope of the institution?

Large, electrically lighted signs publicizing California Polytechnic—a college of agriculture and industry, placed on each highway entrance to San Luis Obispo would inform travelers of the presence and existence of the college in this area.

It has been said that Cal Poly is on the upswing to normalcy. Unless definite, swift action is taken along these various lines, our return to that standing is hindered. Those responsible for these actions owe it to the students to see that they are carried through by all means possible to get Cal Poly on the map.

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**'Grandma' Receives Meld Service**

"Grandma," the oldest cow in the Poly herd is to receive some measure of reward for her years of faithful service. This 17-year-old queen is still in full production, but old age has made the task of foraging with the younger animals too great for her. Furthermore, it is tedious work for her to enter and leave the milking barn in the necessary hurry-up manner.

So, Grandma is to have her own private stall with one of the students to look after her and see that she has everything she needs.

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**Reviews**

By HARRY WINKLE

Editor's-Note:

This is the first of a series of book reviews to appear in El Mustang. Books to be reviewed will be chosen from a list of current favorites by our book editor.

"Beach Red"—Peter Bowman. Another war narrative, but revolutionary in its concept. Written in verse form, "Beach Red" opens a rather new technique in novel writing. The action involves the securing of a beachhead, as the title would imply. It relates the author's hair-raising experiences and his thoughts in this hour. His not too subtle cracks aimed at the "Brass Dept." should delight the service men, present as ex. All in all, suggested reading.

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**Horse Show Planned For Poly Royal**

Little has been heard about the riding club. But, with the help of Dick Otto, Secretary Jay Templeton, and Faculty Advisor Eugene Egan they hope to get the ball rolling.

The fun begins as soon as a location is found on or near the campus for the horses. Their eyes are on the old horse barn near the creek by the best men.

The club members plan on having roping, fancy riding and a horse show to present at Poly Royal.

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Fresno Bulldogs Nip Poly Twice

By GLENN ARTHUR

Cal Poly Mustangs dropped two games to the Bulldogs of Fresno State at Fresno this last weekend. The Polyites matched baskets with the Bulldogs in the first halves of both games but seemed to "run out of gas" in the last stanza.

In the first game Poly led nearly half the time, but Fresno dropped in the same fast goals to take the lead at the half 29-20. The second half was all Fresno as they scored 50 points and held Poly to 14 to win going away, 90-34. The game got rough in spots and the referee called 37 fouls.

Willard Moore playing his first game in a Poly uniform was high scorer with 14. Fresno scored 18 points on foul shots, more than Poly could hold the fort against such height. The Poly cagers are still improving their defense. Bill Goodman, Don Davenport, and Harry Simcox were the spearhead of Poly's defense, but they just couldn't hold the fort against such height.

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Future Agricultural Teachers Meeting

It was announced last week by Weir Fetters, counselor for cadet agricultural teachers, that there is to be a meeting of all Cal Poly agriculture students interested in agricultural teaching on Thursday. This meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 19, at 4 p.m., in room 105 Ag Ed building. All students are welcome to attend, but in particular, interested upper classmen are urged to be there.

Junior Class Elects Officers

The Junior class had its first meeting of the new year last Thursday and made plans to insure future recognition of the class. Tom Frewitt, agriculture student, presided until the new class officers were elected. George King was elected president, and John Bues was elected secretary-treasurer.

Idea was presented on plans for the coming school year, including suitable dance dates, an active membership drive, and means of keeping up of class traditions. It was voted on by the members present to have symbolic class sweaters: the type, color, and price to be decided upon at the next meeting, which will be held in the J.C. room of the cafeteria during the evening meal of the 24th of January. This includes all married men living in town and the men living on campus.

Lack of junior class members was in evidence as there were only eight in attendance. This was discussed and finally attributed to the fact that some of the men don't know what class they are in or that they didn't know the meeting was being held. You are in the Junior class if you have completed two years of college and intend on completing two more years for a degree. Class members present were: Jack Bowdoun, Tom Prueitt, Frank Politey, H. E. Walkup, Rolland Beer, Ed Fleming, George Dewey, John Ham, and Paul Dougherty, class advisor.

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JUROS DOWN VIKINGS

The Cal Poly JV's came through Saturday night in a nip and tuck contest to better the San Luis Jappee quintet by a score of 88 to 27. The Mustangs had a big lead at the half time, 68-27. If you have completed two years of college and intend on completing two more years for a degree. Class members present were: Jack Bowdoun, Tom Prueitt, Frank Politey, H. E. Walkup, Rolland Beer, Ed Fleming, George Dewey, John Ham, and Paul Dougherty, class advisor.

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VETERANS ASSURED MONTHLY PAYMENT
BY JANUARY 15

The many thousands of Southern California veterans, now in school under the GI Bill of Rights, were assured today by Colonel L. C. Chapman, manager of regional office of the Veterans Administration, their subsistence allowance will be paid in full and up to date by January 15.

Orders were issued to all VA offices December 18 by General Omar N. Bradley, administrator of veterans affairs, to have every trainee paid up to date by January 10. According to Colonel Chapman this order gives regional offices the green light to simplify procedures, add clerical help, arrange night shifts, and whatever else is necessary to get all payments cleared on that date.

"We'll beat that deadline if possible," Colonel Chapman declared, "but in order to do so we ask the cooperation of the schools and the veterans." Requests have been sent to schools to return eligibility certificates in special envelopes within 24 hours after the veteran has registered. Veterans should not grow impatient and write or telephone the VA in regard to these checks. It takes time to answer communications—time which otherwise would be spent making out checks and meeting the deadline.

Veterans in Southern California are applying for schools and training under the bill at the rate of about eight thousand per month. "Every month shows an increase," Colonel Chapman said.

DRIVE UNDERWAY TO REORGANIZE CAMPUS SKI CLUB

Mustang Roundup Representative

Did you know that skiing was a major sport in California twenty years before the Scandinavians ever thought of conducting a ski race? Yes, in the 50's and 60's the miners of the Mother Lode country used to hold races almost every winter-Sunday on their ten to fourteen feet long "snowshoes." One of the more famous events was revived in recent years by the Sugar Bowl Ski Club's Silver Belt race, where the winner, as in former times, receives a beautiful silver-studded belt.

Skiing as a modern sport began to draw enthusiasts again in the early 1930's and by 1941 thousands of skiers were going to the mountains every winter weekend; the season lasting from December until mid-April. Gas rationing, lack of transportation, as well as the draft, forced most of the skiers to abandon their favorite sport. This year however, all who once had been bitten by the bug are again turning to skiing with a zest never before equaled.

Most of us don't even know that Poly once had a ski-club. It was organized in '41 but did not last more than one winter. This was, however, not due to lack of enthusiasm of the members but solely for the same reasons which kept other skiers from the snowy slopes.

Why not start the ski-club again? The original constitution should still be somewhere in the records and renewed authorization by the SAC could undoubtedly be secured. One of our new students, Hans Hagemeister, a veteran of the 10th Mountain Division, is a skier of many year's experience, who would be glad to stand by with help and advice. Hans was a ski and climbing instructor in the army and together with such nationally famous coaches as Walter Prager of Dartmouth and Friedl Pfeifer of Sun Valley. Having skied in the Sierras, the Rockies and Eastern Resorts as well as in Switzerland, Austria and Italy, his advice, qualified to answer any questions you could ask.

According to Hans, the closest ski area from here is at Cerro Norcoeast (Mt. Abel) south of Mariposa, in the Los Padres National Forest, with a ski-lodge at 6,200 feet altitude. The ski-tow may not be operating this year. The most satisfying area is probably to be found in the Sequoia National Park with a ski-tow at Wolvelton, approximately 180 miles via Visalia. Let's hear from you ski-bunnies, scissorsbills or snow-bugs!

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